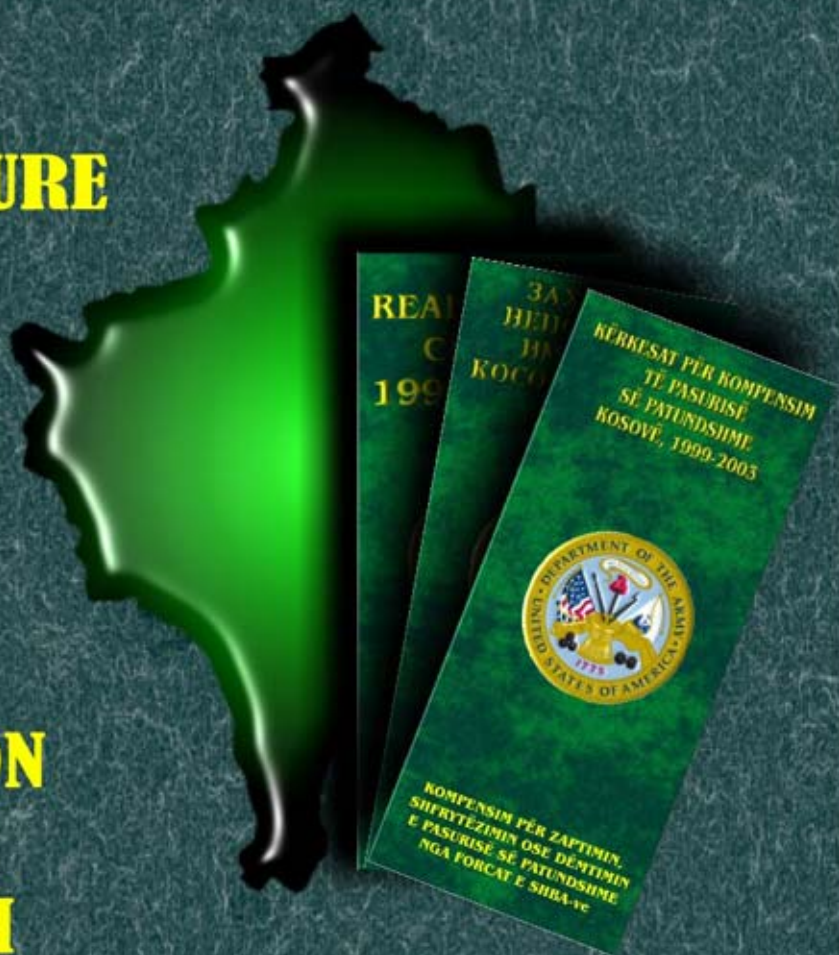


# REAL ESTATE CLAIMS

**KOSOVO, 1999 - 2003**

**IF YOUR LAND OR PRIVATE PROPERTY WAS USED, OR IS BEING USED, DURING THE PEACEKEEPING MISSION, BY US FORCES YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. YOU MUST HAVE A LEGAL RIGHT TO FILE A CLAIM**

**LOOK FOR  
THE BROCHURE  
AT YOUR  
LOCAL  
MUNICIPAL  
BUILDING,  
FOR THE  
NECESSARY  
INFORMATION  
ON HOW TO  
FILE A CLAIM**



## **Starting December 22, 2003**

<b>Novo Bërdë/Novo Brdo:</b> 2nd and 4th Monday 09:30 -14:00	<b>Gjilan/Gnjilane:</b> Every Wednesday 09:00 -12:00 Every Thursday 09:00 -14:30
<b>Ferizaj/Uroševac:</b> 1st and 3rd Monday 09:00 -14:00	<b>Ferizaj/Uroševac:</b> 1st and 3rd Friday 09:00 -14:30
<b>Kamenicë/Kamenica:</b> 1st and 3rd Tuesday 09:30 -14:00	<b>Viti/Vitina:</b> 2nd and 4th Friday 09:00 -14:00
<b>Shtërpçë/Strpce:</b> 2nd and 4th Tuesday 09:30 -14:00	

*Times and locations may be adjusted for weather and volume of claims in any given area.*





## WHAT IS THIS PROGRAM ABOUT?

If the United States Forces occupied, used, or damaged your private property after 10 June 1999, you may be entitled to compensation.

## HOW DO I FILE A CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION?

Pick up a claims packet at your local Municipal Building and follow the claims packet instructions.

## WHAT OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS WILL I NEED FOR MY CLAIM?

You will need to show proof of identity and ownership.

a. Proof of identity can be shown with any of the following: UNMIK Travel Document, UNMIK I.D. Card or a Passport.

b. Proof of ownership can be shown by providing the following three documents with an original stamp on UNMIK letterhead from the Kosovo Cadastral Agency: a Possession List or Partial Possession List, a Plan, and a Sketch.

## WHAT IF I CANNOT PROVIDE THE THREE DOCUMENTS SHOWING THAT I AM THE OWNER?

You will need to provide other credible evidence of ownership, such as a court decision. Such evidence will be reviewed for legal sufficiency.

## IS THERE A DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING MY CLAIM?

Yes. The deadline is 30 June 2004. Any claim after that date will not be accepted.

## WHERE CAN I SUBMIT MY CLAIM?

A U.S. Army Representative for Acceptance of Claims will be available to receive your claim at the following locations:



- Novo Bërdë/Novo Brdo
- Kamenicë/Kamenica
- Shtërpçë/Strpce
- Gjilan/Gnjilane
- Ferizaj/Urosevac
- Viti/Vitina

They will NOT be at each location every day. Please check with your local Municipal Building as to the places and times they will be available.

## IF THERE IS MORE THAN ONE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY, CAN ALL THE OWNERS FILE A CLAIM?

No. Only one person can file a claim for each parcel of property. Therefore, the one person who files the claim (the claimant) will need a special "Power of Attorney" form signed by each of the other owners that gives to the claimant the authority to file on behalf of all the other owners. The form and detailed instructions are in the claims packet.



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**8) WHAT MUST I DO IF I  
ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY  
AFTER 31 DECEMBER 1988?**

In addition to the other forms that you must submit with your claim, you must have each of the people who transferred the property to you to sign an "Affidavit of Grantor" form if you acquired the property after 31 December 1988. The form and detailed instructions are in the claims packet.

**9) HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE  
TO PROCESS MY CLAIM?**

The United States Army will make every effort to process each claim, thoroughly, fairly, and in a timely manner. Due to the large number of claims, there is no guaranteed or estimated time period.

**10) HOW WILL MY CLAIM BE  
PROCESSED?**

We will review and evaluate the claim regarding ownership, location and length of military occupation and use, and proper documentation.

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You will receive written notification of the decision.

A. If your claim is approved, your notification will include an offer to pay you a specific amount of compensation for the past occupation and use of your property. If the U.S. military continues to occupy your property, you will be offered a continuing monthly payment during that occupancy.

B. If your claim is denied, your notification will include the reasons for denial. Failure to respond to an approved offer within 30 days of the offer date or failure to provide sufficient information with which to contact you are additional reasons for denial.

**11) IF MY CLAIM IS DENIED, CAN I  
APPEAL THE DECISION?**

No. There is no right of appeal. However, the denial letter will explain your option to have the denial of your claim reviewed by a higher headquarters office.

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